

Organizing your Research

The following is a graphic representation of a typical research paper. Use the information to complete the boxes on the right with your information.

Part of Essay	Consists of	Your Research Information
<u>Introduction</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thesis statement Attention-grabbing detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thesis is a clear and concise statement that answers your research question. Use a quote, story, analogy, or interesting fact to grab the reader's attention. 	<p>Thesis statement:</p> <p>Attention-grabbing sentence or information:</p>
<u>Body</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information presented in a logical progression Evidence to support the thesis Graphics and illustrations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major topics/ideas are addressed and evidence from research is used to support those topics/ideas. Ideas are presented in a logical way that creates understanding of the thesis. 	<p>Major topics and evidence notes: <i>List your major topics in the order they should be addressed. List evidence in abbreviated form.</i></p> <p>Graphics and Illustrations that will be used:</p>
<u>Conclusion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sums up topics/ideas and restates thesis in new, thoughtful way 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restates the thesis Sums up the topics and ideas Sometimes calls the reader to action 	<p>New and thoughtful statement of your thesis:</p> <p>Concluding thought or call to action:</p>